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SUBJ: FOREIGN BUYER PROGRAM: AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS COAL SHOW,
MAY 10-13, DETROIT

REF: MOSCOW 6101

1. USSR MINISTRY OF COAL INDUSTRY HAS REQUESTED USDOC'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING POST-EXHIBIT TOUR FOR MINISTRY DELEGATION ATTENDING SUBJECT SHOW (REFTEL). DELEGATION BOOKED ON SU 315 ARRIVING NEW YORK MAY 7 AND ON SU 318 DEPARTING WASHINGTON FOR MOSCOW MAY 18. WHILE IN UNITED STATES, GROUP WISHES TO VISIT SHOW MAY 10-13 AND THEN TOUR UNDERGROUND MINES WHERE FOLLOWING MACHINERY IN USE: SHUTTLE CARS (JEFFREY MINING MACHINERY DIVISION OF DRESSER INDUSTRIES AND JOY MANUFACTURING CO.), EQUIPMENT FOR MECHANIZATION OF ROOF BOLTING (JEFFREY AND JOY), AND "MARIETTA" CONTINUOUS MINERS USED WITH ROOM-AND-PILLAR SYSTEM (NATIONAL MINE SERVICE CO.) SECONDARY DESIDERATUM IS EXAMINATION OF USE OF LONG-WALL SYSTEM IN OTHER PARTS OF MINE. MINISTRY BELIEVES SOME OR ALL OF FOLLOWING MINES WOULD SATISFY THESE DESIDERATE BUT WOULD DEFER TO SUGGESTIONS OF THREE EQUIPMENT PRODUCERS: ARMCO STEEL, MINE NO. 7, WEST VIRGINIA, GREENWICH COLLIERIES, NORTH PORTAL NO. 1, EBENDSBURG, PA.; JONES AND LAUGHLIN, GAYWAY(SIC),
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PA.; NORTH AMERICAN COAL CO., BLACKLICK PORTAL,

STUART (SIC), PA. HEAD OF DELEGATION WILL BE A.D. KHUNOV;
PERSONAL DATA ON HIM AND OTHER FIVE DELEGATION MEMBERS
TRANSMITTED REFETEL.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONTACT THREE EQUIPMENT PRO-
DUCERS AND ASK IF THEY COULD BE WILLING TO
HELP ARRANGE POST-SHOW TOUR DESCRIBED ABOVE. AS JOY DOES
NOT APPEAR ON COAL SHOW PARTICIPANT LIST, WE ARE TELEXING
EURIPEAN REP FOR NAME OF CONTACT AND WILL CABLE RESPONSE.
IF FIRMS WILLINGTO HELP, PLEASE ADVISE US AND SET UP ITINER-
ARY. IN MEANTIME WE HAVE ASKED MINISTRY FOR INFORMATION ON
DELEGATION'S LANGUAGE CAPABILITIES AND TYPE OF ACCOMDATIONS DE-
SIRE. WE ASSUME AIR TRAVEL WILL BE ECONOMY
CLASS. FYI: BOTH JEFFREY AND JOY PARTICIPATED IN
DONETSK COAL SHOW IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 1975.

3. COMMENT: WE ONCE AGAIN APOLOGIZE FOR SHORT
NOTICE, BUT SOVIETS DID NOT RESPOND TO OFFERS OF HELP
WE HAD EXTENDED TWO-THREE MONTHS AGO UN-
TIL TODAY. WE HAVE POINTED OUT TO MINISTRY
THAT THEIR LATE RESPONSE MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO FIRM-
UP PROGRAM MUCH BEFORE DELEGATION'S DEPARTURE, BUT WE
WOULD NONETHELESS APPRECIATE ANY PROGRESS REPORTS YOU
COULD PROVIDE. AS ARRANGEMENT OF AIRLINE RESERVATIONS
AND TICKETING IS SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT MATTER HERE, MINISTRY
WOULD BE PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR EARLY INDICATION OF
AIR ITINERARY WITH FLIGHT NUMBERS.
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